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E.0. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR MO
SUBJECT: KENITRA COMPLEX

REF: RABAT 4575 (NOTAL)

1. I CALLED THIS MORNING ON MOHAMMED GHARBI, CHIEF OF LEGAL DIVISION, FOREIGN MINISTRY, TOGETHER WITH CHIEF PUBLIC WORKS NTC AND ASSISTANT TO DISCUSS KENITRA ELECTRICAL CONTRACT, WHICH STILL UNSIGNED. IT WAS APPARENT FROM CONVERSATION THAT FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS HAD IMPRESSION WE WERE SEEKING FORMAL INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES ON THIS MATTER WHEN IN FACT ALL WE WANT IS SIMPLE ADMINISTRATIVE AGREEMENT. GHARBI NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT CONTRACT WAS NOT SIMPLE LEGAL MATTER BUT WAS IN HIS WORDS "CABINET MATTER" ON WHICH FOREIGN MINISTER HIMSELF WILL HAVE TO MAKE DECISION AS TO WHO SHOULD SIGN FOR MOROCCANS.
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2. GHARBI PROMISED PREPARE BRIEF FOR FOREIGN MINISTER
WHO RETURNING NEXT WEEK. HE HOPED QUESTION
SIGNATURE COULD BE RESOLVED NEAR FUTURE, UNFORTUNATELY
HE IS GOING TO NEW YORK FOR UN SESSION AND WILL NOT
BE HERE TO PURSUE MATTER. WE PLAN TO TAKE UP WITH
FOREIGN MINISTER'S DIRECTOR OF CABINET MOHAMED MAHJOUBI
AFTER FOREIGN MINISTER'S RETURN.

3. GHARBI CONFIRMED THAT MINISTRY WAS THINKING IN
TERMS OF OVERALL CONTRACT FOR KENITRA COMPLEX. HE
SAID PROPOSED AGREEMENT THIS REGARD HAD ALREADY BEEN
DRAFTED. HE DID NOT KNOW WHEN IT WOULD BE PRESENTED
TO US, BUT INDICATED ONE OF QUESTIONS FOREIGN MINISTER
WOULD HAVE TO SETTLE WAS WHETHER ELECTRICAL CONTRACT MUST
COME WITHIN FRAMEWORK OVERALL CONTRACT OR COULD BE
KEPT SEPARATE. I SAID OVERALL CONTRACT IDEA WAS NEWS
TO US AND WE VERY MUCH HOPED THAT ELECTRICAL CONTRACT
COULD BE KEPT SEPARATE FROM THAT QUESTION.
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